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legislating in the budget bill, and we can't do what Senator Cavanaugh's amendment says. You see, in the merger bill of UNO and UNL it says that all revolving funds, and I want the budget committee to understand this because they missed it, obviously in some of the other areas, you cannot take revolving funds or cash funds and transfer them from campus to campus. That was one of the things in the merger bill that was separate. It is in the statutes separate. Any revolving funds or cash funds must be left on the campuses of where they are generated. Consequently you can't adopt this amendment because you are repealing a statute on the merger bill if you're going to do this. In the long run I probably have no objection to this and think it should be done. But, you have got to turn around and introduce a bill repealing or changing 85-192 in the statutes. You cannot change the statutes in the budget bill by legislation. So, on that basis I'll have to oppose Senator Cavanaugh's amendment. It would be unfair for me to know something in this legislature and not give you the benefit of what I know on this particular matter, and then have this budget bill or the whole athletic funds declared unconstitutional or illegal which would cause either nothing to be done or a special session. I think I should bring it to your attention. I think that the budget bill in some other areas has done the same thing. The fact is that the other day I encountered one of them. I don't know how many more there are. I think there are some. You can't do this. What Senator Cavanaugh, or somebody else is going to do, and I'm probably in favor of it as I say, is amend the merger bill so that you can transfer revolving funds and cash funds from campus to campus. But, under present state statute, you cannot do this. I've been to the Attorney General's office on a verbal opinion, you can't do it. I looked at it and figured that it was phony the other day when I got it and it said you couldn't do it because I remembered that the athletic department funds were ever separate in the merger bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR MICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the legislature, I, too, rise to oppose this amendment. I would agree with Senator Syas that this would probably be a poor idea to even transfer funds because what would probably happen would be to dilute one football team in the state to two that would perhaps be of mediocre stature. I would like to ask Senator Cavanaugh two questions. I agree that his amendment has a good chance not to make it. Senator Cavanaugh, is the purpose of your doing this to get federal funds, that is to get an appropriation from this legislature so that you may get federal funds?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Pardon me?

SENATOR NICHOL: Is your purpose in wanting this money from the legislature so that you may get federal funds?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: My purpose is that it is the right thing to do. We conduct the athletics some of which generate a tremendous amount of money. I suppose this is for the benefit of the students who participate in the university